

Saturday, July 2, 1910

## PRESIDENTIAL ELECTION IN MEXICO.

Sunday the presidential election in the neighboring republic passed without incident or any of the disturbances predicted so freely by sensational newspaper correspondents and reporters along the border. Overwhelming majorities were given everywhere to the candidates for presidential electors pledged to the support of President Diaz and Don Ramon Corral. Upon the tenth of July the electors will meet in their respective states or districts and elect the two distinguished citizens named, certifying the result to the proper authority, when that result will be proclaimed in due form and solemnity; and on the Sixteenth of September the choice made last Sunday and ratified in July, will be given visible form in the inauguration for another term of six years of Porfirio Diaz as president and Don Ramon Corral as vice president of the third greatest republic upon the face of the earth.

Sensation mongers among American newspapers seem bent upon promulgation of incredible and ridiculous stories with regard to this presidential election in Mexico. Now the tale is that the opposition manifested was against Don Ramon only, and not against General Diaz; that a majority of the electors selected will not vote for Mr. Corral on the tenth of July; but on that day will cast their official ballots for another candidate, who will be elected, proclaimed and inaugurated. One can hardly restrain an expression of impatience when contemplating assertions so ridiculous. The presidential electors elected in Mexico last Sunday were given a sacred trust which they will discharge religiously, to elect to the presidency and vice presidency of their republic General Porfirio Diaz and Don Ramon Corral. As with our own presidential electors in the United States the electors are not bound by law to elect the two candidates for whom they stand, and they can cast their votes for whom they please. If they desire they can turn down Don Ramon and elevate another. So could presidential electors in the United States do likewise. But has any one any idea what would happen to presidential electors in the United States who would try to perpetrate so gross a breach of faith? Well, then, depend upon it that something would be doing in Mexico were anything of the kind attempted.

### WHAT'S THE GAME?

There is no political power great enough to force a majority of the loyal and patriotic citizens of Arizona to accept a constitution written in Washington, D. C., against their wishes.—Bisbee Review.

Why all this iteration and reiter-

ation about what the people of Arizona will do and will not do about their proposed state constitution? No one has ever proposed at any time that a constitution for Arizona shall be written at Washington. But the enabling act does say that the constitution that will be written at Phoenix shall meet the approval of the President and the Congress,—just as was the case with the constitutions of Kansas and Nebraska. That is all there is to it.

Now it would be a great deal more to the real purpose were the Review and the rest of the Kelly syndicate of corporation newspapers to give the assurance that is in their own hearts that E. E. Ellinwood, Ben Goodrich, Eugene S. Ives, Frank Cox, and other eminent corporation attorneys who will be sent to the constitutional convention by the democratic party in Arizona will see that the fundamental law that will be framed for Arizona, will meet the approval of even Senator Aldrich.

What's the purpose of all this talky-talk put out by the Kelly newspapers? Surely an outfit which fought a bullion tax of any kind in Arizona ten long years, and then aided in giving the people one that taxes the great mining corporations but twenty-five per cent of what they should pay, will not stand for anything either radical or revolutionary in the proposed constitution. Senator Aldrich himself would find no difficulty in framing a constitution for Arizona that would suit the Kelly syndicate to a T. And what is more the Kelly syndicate and its allies will take care that the constitution adopted will meet the views of even Senator Aldrich. Then why so much good space given the subject. What's the game?

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